Completion of Government quarters in CGO Complex, Faridabad

6151. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of Government quarters in C.G.O. Complex on NH-IV, Faridabad are is semi-complete condition since 31st December, 1993;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have estimated cost loss it has suffered as a result thereof; and

(d) by when Government propose to restart the work and complete it for allotment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir. The work is in an advanced stage of completion.

(b) and (c) Not applicable in view of reply to (a) above.

(d) The work is already in progress and the question of re-starting the work does not arise. The Quarters are likely to be completed in stages from December '94 onwards, for allotment.

Promotion of Junior Hindi Translators in CPWD

6152. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that work study is going on with regard to promote the Junior Hindi Translators of the subordinate office of the CPWD;

(b) if so, whether any time-limit has been fixed in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to consider any proposal for time-scale promotions pending finalisation of the work study; and

(d) if so, by when it is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

Requirement of houses in Urban Areas

6153. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to stae:

(a) what is the estimated number of houses that would be required in the urban areas in the country during the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(b) what is the number of houses proposed to be constructed in the urban areas during the said plan period; and

(c) what amount is likely to be spent on this count and to what extent the requirement of houses would be met as a result thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) The National Building Organisation has estimated, on the basis of 1981 census data, that the housing shortage as on 1-3-91 in urban areas stood at 10.4 million dwelling units. It has been projected that, during the Eighth Five Year Plan period, over and above the backlog, the shelter requirement would be 9.55 million dwelling units in urban areas.

(b) and (c) Housing being a State subject the State Governments are responsible for formulating and executing specific

housing schemes as per their priorities and available resources. As per the 8th Plan document, the projected physical target for creation of new housing stock and upgradation of existing housing stock in urban areas is 9.55 million units during the entire plan period. The estimated financial requirement for these units would be Rs. 57,180 crores at 1989-90 prices.

Schemes for civic amenities for towns in Maharashtra

6154. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Housing and Urban Development Corporation and the Central Government have approved any schemes for providing better civic amenities in small and medium twons in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount earmarked for the said purpose;

(d) the amount spent on this amount in Maharashtra during 1992-93 and 1993-94; and

(e) the other details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K THUNGON): (a) to (e) Provision of civic amenities is the responsibility of the local bodies concerned. These local bodies formulate their Schemes in consultation with the State Governments concerned. State Governments on their part render assistance to the local bodies under various scheme and also through borrowing from financial institutions like HUDCO, LIC etc. Government of India plays only a nodal and catalytics role.

Since 1979-80 a Central Sponsored Scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) has been in operation in the States| UTs including the State of Maharashtra. Upto 31-3-94, project reports of 67 towns of Maharashtra State have been approved under the IDSMT Scheme and Central Assistance of Rs. 23.26 crores released. Town-wise details of the Central Assistance released to Maharashtra State is given in the enclosed Statement. (See below). The revised guidelines of IDSMT which have come into force from the financial year 1992-93 provide for financing through Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO)|other financing institutions in addition to budgetary support. The number of towns of Maharashtra State covered under IDSMT during the years 1992-93 and 1993-94 and Central Assistance released is given below.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	No. of Towns covered	Amount
1992-93 . . .	9	216.132
1993-94 . . .	10	286.000

Agaainst the tentative allocation of 17 towns made to Maharashtra State for coverage unuder IDSMT during the 8th Plan period, 19 towns have been covered. In the project reports of all these 19 towns, HUDCO has been identified by the State Government for funding the components identified for institutional financing.

In the schemes approved upto 31-3-92, the components to be financed through Central Assistance PLUS State contribution incluled sites and services (residential|industrial area development), traffic and transportation, markets and mandies, municipal abattoir and low cost sanitation. However. under the Revised Scheme of IDSMT w.e.f. 1992-93 the number of